

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
100 A Avenue South
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**Minutes
07/14/14**

**THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 6:30PM IN THE BEATTY COMMUNITY CENTER.
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THE (BTAB)
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THEIR RESPECTIVE INITIALS.**

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**Dick Gardner (DG) – Chair
Kelly Carroll (KC) – Vice Chair
Erika Gerling (EG) – Treasurer
Randy Reed (RR) - Member
Crystal Taylor (CT) – Member**

1 Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

2 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of July 14, 2014.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Pulled item number 5 emergency items.

3 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item.

Crystal Taylor – Stated that on August 9th the 6th annual Volunteer Appreciation event will take place at 4pm at the Happy Burro Chili and Beer. We will be having hamburgers, bratwurst and chicken. There will be live music and drawings. Flyers will be up around town. The money collected gets split 50/50 between the Fire Department and the Ambulance Service.

Albert Verrilli – Stated he would like to place an item on the next Town Board meeting. Several years ago I abandoned a right of way to the County, and they use to maintain it. It is pretty ragged and one of the reasons is because of some of the upstream work that has been done, which is good it looks nice up there, after the rains there is a continuing silt build up. That silt build-up is high enough now that it is changing the flow of the water. It used to take a major storm to overrun the road, now the slight rains overrun it. The silt build-up is terrible. It's connected to a project that the Town Board authorized. It is a continuing problem. After the last rain I had people that were afraid and had difficulty going in and out of the park. The slightest rain is now doing that. I have used the website to contact the Nye County Road department and have had discussions with Dave Spicer, on several occasions, probably over the last year almost and he keeps saying we'll get to doing something with that to clean it out, but it doesn't happen and it gets worse and worse. I'm losing ingress and egress to my park, and part of this is a consequence of some of the projects you've authorized up stream.

DG – Asked Mr. Verrilli to put it on an agenda.

Mr. Verrilli – Stated he hopes that some of the Board will just go down Cottonwood and look at the falloff of that backside how uneven it is. It used to be that way on the other side, you can see the mound. You can see it for yourself just so you can see what we are talking about, and if we can think of any kind of solutions at that point when it is an agenzized item I'd appreciate it.

DG – Stated that's a County road and we do have a County Commissioner here.

DG- Asked if Dave (Fanning) would be the person to contact.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated I heard you say you have been in contact with the County, have you had any response.

Mr. Verrilli – Stated he has used the form on the website, but has not been contacted.

EG – Asked Mr. Verrilli to send an email with his concerns and make this a formal item.

Jim Pitts, of South Dakota – Stated he is working on a restoration project at the Beatty Ranch right now. On his trip here, over 3200 miles and 4 months, every waterway I passed while I traveled had a sign on it and I noticed the bridge here does not have a sign. I think it would be neat.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated she would talk to the sign guys.

EG – Asked if Mr. Pitts would get with Carrie to place an item on the next agenda.

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4 For Possible Action – Approval of the Minutes dated June 23, 2014.

RR – Motion to approve the meeting minutes dated June 23, 2014; Second CT; 4-1; KC abstain

5 For Possible Action – Emergency Items

Item pulled

6 Board Member's Comments (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)

KC - None; EG - None; RR - None; CT - None; DG - None

7 Reports

i. Beatty Area Plan

DG - Stated that the Area Plan was adopted by the Commissioners.

ii. Beatty Chamber

Amina Anderson - Stated that they are working on Beatty Days 2014, and introduced their new employee Linda Shirley.

iii. Beatty Habitat Committee

Shirley Harland - Stated I am no longer the Chair; Ryan Tweney is the new Chair.

iv. Beatty Library

Shirley Harland - Stated I am no longer the Chair of the Library Board; Jerry Martin is the new Chair.

v. Beatty Medical Clinic

Dr. Diane McGinnis - Stated she will be at the clinic until noon on Thursday when she will start her vacation; there will be no doctor Thursday afternoon. Friday Rob Phoenix will be filling in and then Rebecca Kayler will be filling in for two weeks. The Mamo Van will be in Goldfield August 2nd it will be in Tonopah the day before please call and schedule an appointment.

vi. Beatty Museum

Amina Anderson - Stated there will be a meeting next Monday at 6pm.

vii. Beatty Town Square

DG - Stated we have an item on the agenda about Town Square.

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7 Reports Continued

viii. Commissioner's

Commissioner Wichman – Asked if there were any questions for her.

EG – Asked what happened in regard to a BoCC agenda item under finance to change the bid threshold?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated she thought they lowered the threshold and the BTAB does not have to change its policy.

EG – Asked about the BoCC item to fill two vacant dispatch and one deputy position, do you know where they are for?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that will be on tomorrow's meeting and she did not know but assumes they are for Pahrump, the vacancies have happened since the change (Pahrump dispatch of 911 for the whole County).

ix. Desert Hills Cemetery

DG – We are trying to schedule a meeting for Monday the 28th at 5pm.

x. Emergency Services

Chief Harmon – Stated he hoped everyone had a good 4th of July, and reported 13 calls over the last month, with an average of 6 responders each. The Fire Hall updates are coming along.

EG – Asked if the swamp coolers are in.

Chief Harmon – Stated we got the water hooked up today and they are in.

xi. Ordinances

None

Reports Continued

xii. Other

Beatty Economic Development, Inc (BEDC) – Albert Verrilli reported that BEDC has achieved 501c3 status.

Beatty General Improvement District (BGID) – Robin Revert and Amina Anderson thanked the BTAB for letting BGID use Carrie (Town Staff) to help out while they are looking for a new employee.

Beatty Water & Sanitation District (BWSD) – Rob Shirley; District Manager – Introduced himself and thanked the Community for welcoming him and his wife. The water conservation plan was approved, we will be sending out information on how to conserve water. The Community has been doing a good job of water conservation already, using 110 gallons per day per capita and that is fantastic. Thank you for observing the water restrictions when EW4 (Well 7) went down, we believe, due to a power surge that caused the failure by shutting it off. The pump did not have enough time to cool the motor down before the power kicked back on. We have an electrical engineer, through our insurance company, looking into it. That is the reason why we are on back up wells.

EG – Asked if he (Mr. Shirley) lives here in Beatty and does he have all the required certifications to manage the Water District.

Mr. Shirley – Stated yes he has certifications that will transfer from California and Illinois to Nevada.

EG – Asked if he is aggressively handling the fine issues?

Mr. Shirley – Stated yes he is he is working on the SEP which is the Supplemental Environmental Program that we have to do in lieu of paying the fine. We have a three year period to complete this and it comes with a tremendous amount of administrative work associated with it.

Other Community or Civic Organization – None

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xiii. Secretary

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary- Reported monies collected for services performed by the Town Office and sent to the Nye County Treasurer for the month of June 2014:

Notary - \$0; Photo Copy - \$1.60; Fax - \$9.00; Cemetery - \$150.00; Table & Chair Rental - \$17.50; for a total of \$178.10 credited to the Town Accounts.

Correspondence/Information received and available at the Town Office;

Nye County Airports - June 2014 Status Report.

Flyers in English and Spanish for the Mamo Van visit to Goldfield August 2nd; these are available on the town website.

July 19th at 3pm there will be a Memorial for Helen Terry here at the Community Center.

Ms. Radomski - Stated she has had several citizens' comment, again, on how fantastic the fireworks were for the 4th of July, and they really wanted you guys to know how much they appreciate it. Please extend the thanks to all of the Department Members.

DG - Stated that Benny Bendekovics passed away; he was the former owner of the Sourdough Saloon and was a great member of our community.

xiv. Treasurer

EG - Reported the fund available balances with 100% of the year elapsed as of June 30, 2014:

Department	Expenditure	Balance	
Admin	\$155,172.82	\$171,499.18	48% of the budget used
Translators	\$3,138.88	\$1,861.12	63% of the budget used
BVFD	\$160,137.53	\$152,114.47	51% of the budget used
Cemetery	\$3,530.23	\$6,469.77	35% of the budget used
Com Cnt Serv & Supplies	\$16,562.33	\$108,437.67	13% of the budget used
Chamber	\$30,614.43	\$4,080.57	88% of the budget used
Museum	\$27,147.87	\$7,550.13	78% of the budget used
Town Tourism	\$8,273.79	\$95,815.21	8% of the budget used
Capital Projects	\$46,638.69*	\$495,838.31	0% of the budget used
Special Capital	\$0	\$150,839.00	0% of the budget used
Room Tax Capital	\$0	\$124,710.00	0% of the budget used

*Fire Hydrant - Ambulance Barn & 2 hydrants Cottonwood/Hoyt; Translator Project

8 Consent Agenda Items

a. Action - Discussion of any item from the Consent Agenda Items that needs review before a decision is made.

DG - Stated that we have three packets I would like to do these in three packets.

b. Approval of Town Vouchers

RR - Motion to approve Town Vouchers packet #1 the monthly bills in the amount \$2,367.93;

DG - Stated that there are \$1500.00 for Fire Department Physicals that the County used to pay for; Second CT; 5-0

RR - Motion to approve Town Voucher packet #2 for the Fireworks in the amount of \$11,000.00;

DG - Stated half is from the Fire Department half is from the Town; Second CT; 5-0

RR - Motion to approve Town Voucher packet #3 for the remaining of the Mural lighting in the amount of \$3,381.00; Second CT; 5-0

9 General Business

a. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation, and decision to place an item on a future Beatty General Improvement District (BGID) agenda requesting their participation in the Beatty Town Square, Robert A. and Florence Revert Park project and all matters pertaining thereto. – Erika Gerling

EG – Stated we have everything in place that we need to start work and we can use labor as in kind. We would like to go to BGID and ask them if they would be willing to let us use their employees and equipment to help us especially with this first part, the grading and berming and whatever else we need.

DG – Clarified we would be paying them.

EG – Confirmed that we would and it will count toward in kind for the grant; Discussion followed.

EG – Motion to place an item on the Beatty General Improvement District agenda requesting their participation in the Beatty Town Square Project; Second CT; 5-0

b. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation, and decision regarding the business license and Transient Lodging Business License Tax (Room Tax) payments of the Phoenix Inn dba Atomic Inn. – Erika Gerling

EG – Stated the time for the Phoenix Inn’s license renewal, for this next fiscal year July 1st through June 30th, has come and past. They were not current on their taxes so they were not issued a license. We don’t know if they are renting without a license but if they are, they are in violation of the ordinance. They are several months with nonpayment that is why they were not issued a license; March, April, and May 2014 and June we don’t know. They have real sketchy history on their payments. We spent a lot of time working on the room tax ordinance and now we have to enforce it. The Treasurer did what they were supposed to do; they did not issue them a license because they were delinquent. The options are listed here and we have a little bit of flexibility. We could ask for an audit by the Treasurer, we could ask sheriff’s department to issue them a citation because they now are in violation, and every single day they rent a room they are in violation it is compounded.

EG - Stated my preference is to contact them and find out what is going on. The Treasurer’s Office has tried to work with them. The first thing is to have Carrie contact them; Discussion followed.

Audience – Stated you need to decide what your objective is, do you want to put them out of business or do you want to collect the tax. If you want to collect the tax I suggest that you have Carrie contact them and find out what’s going on and then make your next decision.

EG – Clarified we don’t want to put anybody out of business, the Treasurer’s Office has given them so many opportunities to get current. This is not just one or two conversations and it’s not just this year it’s every year.

Audience – Stated if the Treasurer can’t get them to comply why don’t you involve the District Attorney?

EG – Stated that is one of our options; Discussion followed.

DG – Stated that from 2010 to 2014 they have paid almost seven thousand dollars in penalties, they always pay up but they pay slow.

EG – Stated now they have no license, here is what I want I want us to find out, are they operating; Discussion followed.

KC – Suggested lets go with the least if nothing happens go to the second and continue, it’s better than slamming them all at one time; Discussion followed.

EG – Motion to have staff send a letter to Phoenix Inn dba Atomic Inn LLC to inform them that they are currently unlicensed and quote the ordinance in the letter cc: the manager of the Phoenix Inn dba Atomic Inn LLC, the District Attorney and the Treasurer; Second RR; 5-0

10 General Public Comment

Diane McGinnis – Stated the Boy Scouts had a float in the 4th of July Parade and won the Sprit Award. The Boy Scouts went on a camping trip, there are about 5 scouts.

DG – Stated the Boy Scouts put the flags on the Veterans graves at the Cemetery for the 4th of July.

11 Adjournment

KC– Motion to adjourn 7:36pm; Second RR; 5-0